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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☒ a patent application claiming the benefit of priority from US Provisional Application
Serial No. **60/189,072** filed **March 13, 2000** which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
- ☐ a Continuation ☐ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP)
- ☐ a Divisional of prior
- ☐ a Provisional of prior application no.:
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement(s) was filed in the prior application; Status still proper and desired.

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

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Entitled: **DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES USING DIRECT INJECTION OF GASEOUS
HYPERPOLARIZED ¹²⁹XE AND ASSOCIATED SYSTEMS AND PRODUCTS**

Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ **67** pages of Specification (including **88** claims)
3. ☒ **12** sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
 - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 5 Below]
 - c. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
7. ☒ Assignment papers (2 Assignments with *cover sheet(s) and appropriate fees*)
8. ☐ Applicant claims Small Entity Status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
9. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449
10. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)
11. ☐ English Translation Document
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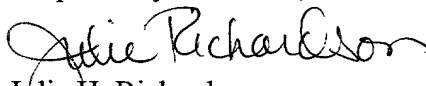
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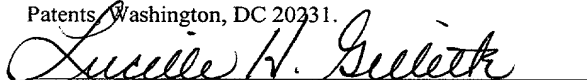
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